

## **CRACKED THE LOOTING INCIDENT**

The Ludhiana (Rural) police have cracked the robbery case took place around one week back. The police have arrested four persons in this regard. The accused have been identified as Gurpreet Singh alias Gopa s/o Gurmit Singh of Mallha village, Dalwinder Singh alias Arshi s/o Zora Singh of Dalla village, Avtar Singh alias Tara s/o Gurmail Singh of Mallha village and Ranjit Singh s/o Sukhdev Singh of Chak Bhaika village. The police have also recovered two motorcycles PB 10 FM 5952 and PB 10 EB 1411 used in the crime by the accused.

Giving the details during a press conference here today, SSP Ludhiana (rural) IPS Surjit Singh informed the press that some unidentified persons had looted rupees 37128 from one Aamod Kumar s/o Pal Singh Babu Ram of Chadaho village of Saralpur district in Uttar Pradesh on gunpoint on October 4. In his complaint to the police, Aamod Kumar stated that he is an employee of SVB Cetra Company near Hari Singh Hospital Jagraon. He further told the police that on October 4 he was returning to Jagraon on his motorcycle after recovering loan from the clients of the company and when he reached between Mallha and Dalla villages, two unidentified persons coming on a motorcycle from backside hit him with a stick and asked him to stop the bike. According to Aamod Kumar, when he did not stop the bike the accused again hit him with the stick due to which he fell on the road. Following this the accused snatched his kit bag containing 37128 rupees cash and other documents and fled from the scene.

After recording the statement of the victim, the Hathur police registered a case under sections 379-B, 427 of IPC and started investigation. According to SSP, during the course of investigation Mandeep Singh alias Mintu, a resident of Mallha village disclosed before the police that he was going towards his village along with his uncle on the day of the incident and he saw main accused Gurpreet Singh alias Gopa. According to Mandeep Singh, when he asked Gurpreet Singh about the incident the later told him that the victim was harassing the girls of their village therefore they beat him. Mandeep Singh further told the police that the accused requested him to not disclose the incident to anyone.

Following this, the police obtained the mobile dump and on the basis of the call details of the mobile numbers of the accused the police managed to trace the accused. SSP Surjit Singh further informed that on October 11, the police arrested four accused. The police also recovered 30 thousand rupees of the looted money from the accused. Besides, a 32 bore revolver, four dummy cartridges, one 315 bore rifle were also recovered from Avtar Singh by the police.

During the interrogation, the accused confessed their crime before the police. The police produced all the accused before a local court today which awarded four days remand of the accused. SSP Surjit Singh further informed that the further investigation into the case is underway and more revelations are expected during further interrogation of the accused.

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